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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM A PALAEONTOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE BOKONI KLIPFONTEIN OPENCAST MINE PROJECT

Dear Mr Phillip Hine,

On behalf of our client, Bokoni Platinum Mine (Pty) Limited, please find herewith a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption from a Palaeontological Impact Assessment. The exemption requested is in regard to a heritage assessment that may be required as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) required in terms Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) and Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (25 of 1999) (NHRA).

Please refer to the attached Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) details regarding project description, findings and results and recommendations. The HIA will be integrated into the Draft EIA/EMP Report that will be submitted for public review as required by the MPRDA process. In brief, we request the Letter of Recommendation for Exemption based on the following:

- The proposed Klipfontein Project Area is situated on the Dwars River Sub-suite and the Dsjate Sub-suite of the Rustenburg Layered Suite;
- The bedrock in the area is of the Bushveld Complex and comprises igneous rocks. Igneous rocks do not contain inherent palaeontological potential.
- Overall, the geological formations found in the Klipfontein Project Area are of no overall palaeontological sensitivity

We look forward to receiving your timeous comments as required under Section 38 of the NHRA.

Regards,

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